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REMARKS

Claims 1-19 have been indicated as allowable in the application, and the issue fee was paid on April 7, 2005. A Petition to Withdraw from Issue and a Request for Continued Examination are being filed concurrently herewith. Claims 16, 17, and 19 have been cancelled by the amendments presented herein. Accordingly, when the amendments presented herein are entered, claims 1-15 and 18 will remain pending. No new matter has been added.

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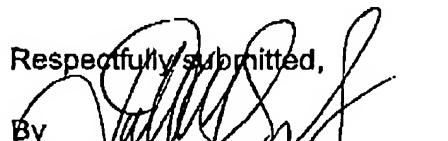
CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendment, Applicants believe the pending application is in condition for allowance. Please call the undersigned if a telephone conversation would expedite allowance of this application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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